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IN REPLY REFER TO: 9212

Notice of Emergency Fire Prevention Orders on Public Land within the Vale District, Oregon.

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Vale District, Oregon.

ACTION: Emergency Fire Prevention Orders for public land within the Vale District, Oregon.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is temporarily prohibiting some activities and uses of the

public lands during periods of high fire danger. This regulation is necessary to protect natural

resources and the public's health and safety.

DATES: Wednesday, July 2, 2008 and will remain in effect until rescinded.

DISCUSSION OF THE RULES: These orders will apply to the following listed BLM-managed lands within the Vale District, Oregon;

- 1- BLM-managed lands located within one statute mile of the Owyhee River beginning at Three Forks Recreation Area downstream to the confluence of the Snake River,
- 2-BLM-managed public lands located within one statute mile of the Snake River beginning at Farewell Bend Oregon downstream to Fisher Gulch in Asotin County, Washington, and
- 3- BLM-managed public lands located within one statute mile of the Wallowa River and the Grande Ronde River from Minam Oregon downstream to the confluence of the Snake River.

The BLM has determined that these orders are necessary to protect natural resources and provide public safety, under 43 CFR 9212.2, the BLM will enforce the following orders on the public lands within the Vale District, Oregon.

Orders to be enforced:

- 1. You must not possess, discharge or use any type of fireworks or other pyrotechnic device to include sparklers. This order does not differentiate between lawful use or careless/negligent use of fireworks, but prohibits all fireworks activity and their use on public lands as identified above.
- 2. You must not build, maintain or attend a campfire, or stove fire, including charcoal briquette fire, except within the existing metal fire rings located at the following Recreation sites, Slocum Creek Park or Rome Launch Site in Malheur County, Westfall, Airport, Bob Creek, Spring Recreation sites and Carters Landing, in Baker County. NOTE: Liquefied and bottled gas stoves and heaters are permitted. When used outside of developed recreation sites they must be used within an area at least ten (10) feet in diameter that is barren, or clear of all flammable materials.
- 3. You must not smoke outside of a vehicle, trailer or building, except within areas barren of all flammable materials for at least a 3 foot diameter, or aboard boats on rivers and lakes.

PENALTIES: On public lands, under section 303(a) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1733 (a)) and 43 CFR 9212.4, any person who violates any of these supplementary rules within the boundaries established in the rules may be tried before a United States Magistrate and fined no more than \$1,000 or imprisoned for no more than 12 months, or both. Such violations may also be subject to the enhanced fines provided for by 18 U.S.C. 3571.

Pursuant to 43 CFR 9212.3 (a), the following persons are exempt from this order:

- 1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
- 2. Any Federal, State, or local officer or a member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

/s/ David R. Henderson